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SENATE BILL NO. 233
93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Referred to the Committee on Transportation May 3, 2005, with recommendation that the House Committee Substitute for Senate Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 233 Do Pass. Referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Rule 25(26)(f).

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STEPHEN S. DAVIS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 227, RSMo, by adding thereto eight new sections relating to name designations for highways and bridges.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 227, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto eight new sections, to be known as sections 227.356, 227.361, 227.362, 227.365, 227.370, 227.371, 227.372, and 227.373, to read as follows:

227.356. The portion of interstate highway 44 in Greene County from state route MM, exit 70, east to state route 286, exit 72, shall be designated the "Congressman Mel Hancock Freeway". Costs for such designation shall be paid for by the Hancock family.

227.361. The portion of Highway 58 in Johnson County from the intersection with Highway U, west to Highway 131, shall be designated the "Veterans Memorial Parkway". All appropriate signage shall be paid for, erected, and maintained by the City of Holden Veterans of Foreign Wars.

227.362. The bridge crossing over the Missouri River on highway 13 between Lafayette and Ray counties shall be designated "Congressman Ike Skelton Bridge". All signage shall be paid for and maintained through private sources and shall meet appropriate specifications as set forth by the department of transportation.

227.365. 1. Except as provided in subsection 10 of this section, an organization that

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

seeks a bridge or highway designation to honor an event, place, organization, or person who has been deceased for more than two years shall petition the department of transportation by submitting the following:

(1) An application in a form prescribed by the director, describing the bridge or segment of highway for which designation is sought and the proposed name of the bridge or relevant portion of highway. The application shall include the name of at least one current member of the general assembly who will sponsor the bridge or highway designation. The application may contain written testimony for support of the bridge or highway designation;

(2) Each application submitted under this section shall be accompanied by a list of at least two hundred signatures of individuals who support the naming of the bridge or highway;

(3) A deposit of four hundred dollars per sign proposed to designate the bridge or highway, with the funds to be used for construction of each sign;

(4) A deposit of six hundred dollars per sign proposed, with the funds to be used to maintain each sign; and

(5) All moneys received by the department of transportation, for the construction and maintenance of bridge or highway signs shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the "Department of Transportation Bridge and Highway Sign Fund" which is hereby created. The state treasurer shall be custodian of the fund and shall make disbursements from the fund requested by the Missouri director of the department of transportation for personal services, expenses, and equipment required to construct and maintain signs erected in accordance with the provisions of this section.

2. At the end of each state fiscal year, the director of the department of transportation shall:

(1) Determine the amount of all moneys deposited into the department of transportation bridge and highway sign fund;

(2) Determine the amount of disbursements from the department of transportation bridge and highway sign fund which were made to construct and maintain the signs; and

(3) Subtract the amount of disbursements from the income figure referred to in subdivision (1) of this subsection and deliver this figure to the state treasurer.

3. The state treasurer shall transfer an amount of money equal to the figure provided by the director of the department of transportation from the department of transportation bridge and highway sign fund to the state highway department fund. An unexpended balance in the department of transportation bridge and highway sign fund at the end of the biennium not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars shall be exempt from the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo, relating to transfer of unexpended balances to the general revenue fund.

4. The documents and fees required under this section shall be submitted to the department of transportation by July first prior to the next regular session of the general assembly to be approved or denied by the house committee on transportation during that

legislative session.

5. The department of transportation shall give notice of any proposed bridge or highway designation in a manner reasonably calculated to advise the public of such proposal. Reasonable notice shall include posting the proposal for the designation on the department's official public web site, and making available copies of the sign designation application to any representative of the news media or public upon request and posting the application on a bulletin board or other prominent public place which is easily accessible to the public and clearly designated for that purpose at the principal office.

6. Adequate notice conforming with all the requirements of subsection 5 of this section shall be given not less than four weeks, exclusive of weekends and holidays when the facility is closed, after the submission of the application by the organization to the department of transportation. Written or electronic testimony in support or opposition of the proposed highway designation shall be submitted to the department of transportation by November thirtieth of the year of filing of the original proposal. All written testimony shall contain the printed name, signature, address, phone number, and e-mail address, if applicable, of the individual giving the testimony.

7. If the memorial highway designation requested by the organization is not approved by the house committee on transportation, ninety-seven percent of the application fee shall be refunded to the requesting organization.

8. If the memorial designation requested by the organization is approved by the house committee on transportation, the department shall begin construction on the memorial highway designation sign or signs within one year after the approval.

9. Two highway signs shall be erected for each bridge and highway designations; except when a named section of a highway crosses two or more county lines, consideration shall be given by the department of transportation to allow additional signage at the county lines or major intersections.

10. Highway or bridge designations honoring law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty shall not be subject to the provisions of this section.

11. Upon approval of a bridge or highway designation, the department of transportation shall provide five miniature signs, free of charge, to persons or organizations sponsoring signs under this section.

12. All bridge or highway designations made under the provisions of this section shall sunset ten years from the date the highway designation is approved by the house committee on transportation.

13. The provisions of this section shall apply to bridge or highway designations sought after August 28, 2005.

227.370. The portion of Interstate 44 in Phelps County from route V east to route 68, shall be designated the "Governor Mel Carnahan Memorial Highway", in recognition of the

former governor's contributions to the state of Missouri. The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs commemorating this portion of highway. Costs for such designation shall be paid for by the Democrat Freshman Caucus.

227.371. The portion of U.S. highway 61 from the intersection of Missouri route B south of La Grange to the intersection of Missouri route B north of Canton, in Lewis County, shall be designated the "Students of Missouri Assisting Rural Transportation (S.M.A.R.T.) Memorial Highway". This eleven-mile stretch of roadway shall be dedicated to these students and their efforts to improve transportation in the area. The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs commemorating such portion of highway 61 at its discretion, and the students of Missouri assisting rural transportation shall pay for all such signs.

227.372. The portion of Missouri Highway 30 in St. Louis County from the intersection of highway P northeast to the St. Louis city limits shall be designated the "Chief Jerry Buehne Memorial Road". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs commemorating this portion of highway. Costs for the designation shall be paid for by private funds raised for such purpose.

227.373. The new Highway 19 Missouri River Bridge in Hermann slated for completion in December 2007, shall be designated the "Senator Christopher S. Bond Bridge". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs commemorating this portion of highway. Costs for such designation shall be paid for by local organizations.

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